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SUBJECT: USG-GOU RELATIONS

1. AT SOMALI NATIONAL DAY RECEPTION OCT. 21 HAD BRIEF CHAT WITH PAPAL PRO-NUNCIO, ARCHBISHOP BELGOTTI, WHO SAID A UGANDAN BISHOP HAD CHECKED WITH HIM REGARDING A REPORT THAT THE AMERICAN EMBASSY WAS ORDERING AMERICAN CITIZENS, INCLUDING CATHOLIC MISSIONARIES, TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY. I TOLD BELGOTTI WE HAD BEEN GIVING THE SAME ADVICE TO ALL RESIDENT PRIVATE AMCITS, NAMELY, THAT IN THE USG'S VIEW IT WOULD BE IN THEIR BEST INTERESTS TO MAKE PLANS TO DEPART. I ADDED THAT, QUITE FRANKLY, WE DID NOT EXPECT MANY OF THE AMERICAN CATHOLIC MISSIONARIES TO LEAVE, AND WE WERE SIMPLY GIVING ADVICE, NOT "ORDERING" PEOPLE TO LEAVE. WE
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REALIZE CATHOLIC MISSIONARIES SERVING HERE ARE LIKELY TO ACT

ONLY ON ORDERS RECEIVED FROM THEIR SUPERIORS. BELLOTTI AGREES THAT FEW IF ANY CATHOLIC MISSIONARIES WOULD LEAVE UNDER PRESENT CONDITIONS.

2. MOST MEMBERS OF DIPLOMATIC CORPS ARE NOW AWARE WE ARE EVACUATING OUR OFFICIAL DEPENDENTS AND HAVE ADVISED PRIVATE AMCITS TO LEAVE. AS EXPECTED, SOME OF THE FEED-BACK IS EXAGGERATED AND COMES IN THE FORM OF QUERIES AS TO WHETHER "ALL AMERICANS ARE LEAVING AREA". BUT THOSE DIPLOMATS I HAVE TALKED WITH HAVE TAKEN NEWS IN STRIDE AND HAVE EXPRESSED UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT WE ARE DOING. GOU OFFICIALS HERE HAVE NOT YET REACTED OFFICIALLY OR PRIVATELY.
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